



**DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
Headquarters Aeronautical Systems Center (AFMC)
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio**

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MEMORANDUM FOR REGISTRANT FOR REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

FROM: ASC/YTA
1970 Monahan Way, Bldg 11A, Room 201 I
Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7211

SUBJECT: T-38C Escape System Upgrade Program, Request for Information (RFI)

1. To assist the government in our market research, we invite your company to submit an RFI response package. It is recommended that packages submitted follow the outline format noted in paragraph 2 below. You are asked to address engineering capabilities and modifications necessary to modify the crew station of 509 T-38 aircraft to fully meet the requirements to (a) accommodate and (b) safely eject the range of aircrew sizes as specified in Attachment 1. Currently, there are no developmental funds available. This RFI is to solicit industry feedback to aid the government in developing an acquisition strategy for this program. It does not constitute a solicitation for proposals and no contract will be awarded as a result. Your response is strictly voluntary and the government will not reimburse your company for costs you incur responding to this RFI or in providing follow-up information.

2. It is the desire of the government that any proposed approach meets and/or exceeds the key performance parameters (KPPs) and other requirements listed within Attachment 1. The government is interested in understanding:

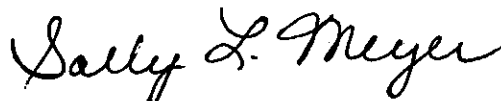
- a. What is available in today's marketplace to meet these requirements?
- b. What, if any, development an offeror believes is necessary to meet these requirements.
 - (1) Hardware development?
 - (2) Software development?
- c. What vendor capabilities exist in the marketplace relative to
 - (1) Designing
 - (2) Manufacturing, and/or
 - (3) Integration of any proposed solution or subset thereof
 - (4) Specifications and/or other data showing how a proposed approach meets and/or exceeds the government's requirements.
- d. The rough order of magnitude cost (ROM) associated with your proposed approach, and;
- e. Your recommendations as to the most reasonable/cost effective acquisition strategy for this program.

- f. RFI response packages should also include a description of previous aircraft modifications you have accomplished involving design, modification, and/or integration of similar systems.

Should your proposed approach not address all of the areas identified above your RFI package will still be reviewed.

3. Your RFI response package should also provide answers to the "Additional Technical Information Requested" presented at Attachment 3. The government understands that not all questions will be applicable to all respondents; however, you are asked to provide as much information as possible in answering those questions applicable to your company concerning its capabilities/expertise.

4. Your package must be submitted within thirty (30) days after publication of this announcement. Please provide two (2) paper copies of your response; in addition, you may also submit in electronic format. All responses shall be directed to Capt Jason C. Ortiz, Contract Negotiator, Aeronautical Systems Center, ASC/YTK, Bldg 11A, Room 201-I, 1970 Monahan Way, Wright-Patterson AFB, OH 45433-7211. Should you have questions or additional concerns about responding to this RFI please email them to Jason.Ortiz@wpafb.af.mil. FAR Clause 52.215-3 "Request for Information or Solicitation for Planning Purposes (October 1997)" is incorporated into this RFI by reference.


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Attachments:

1. Key Performance Parameters
2. System Capabilities and Characteristics Parameters
3. Additional Technical Information Requested